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JOINT INFORMATION CENTER NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

SBC-JIC Jesusita Fire 035 DATE: May 8, 2009 TIME: 0525 (5:25 a.m.)

Evacuation of Medically Fragile and Those with Mobility Needs

In order to assure the safe and efficient relocation of residents in the Evacuation Areas, residents who require non-emergency medical assistance and who need assistance in evacuating should call 893-5001.

If possible, make arrangements to evacuate through friends or relatives. However, if you require non-emergency evacuation assistance, do not call 911. Call the Jesusita Fire Medical Transport Help Line at 893-5001.

If a resident needs assistance evacuating and they do not have a place to go, transportation can be arranged and space in an appropriate facility will be made available. If a medically fragile person has a place to go and needs transportation, call 893-5001 and transportation can be arranged to that location according to the needs of the individual. The transport team will call the resident back to confirm arrangements.

Please do not contact this number unless you need help evacuating. The Jesusita Fire County Call Center will be reopened later this morning for persons seeking information.